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# **GED®** Math test update and other resources

# **GED® Math Test Update - February 2014**

As of Friday, February 21, 2014, the standard time allowance on the GED<sup>®</sup> test - Mathematical Reasoning will be increased by 25 minutes for a total time of 115 minutes. Please read below on how this will affect you, your test centers and test-takers.

#### **Test-Takers**

Test-takers with a GED<sup>®</sup> Math test already scheduled for delivery on or after February 21, 2014, will automatically receive the extended time on their test. Test-takers who have already taken the GED<sup>®</sup> Math test will be eligible for a free retake.

- Test-takers will be notified by e-mail on Monday, February 24, that they are eligible for a free retest and that they must contact the customer service center at 1-877-EXAM-GED.
- Test-takers that have taken the GED<sup>®</sup> Math test multiple times and paid fees for retakes will have those fees refunded.
- Test-takers who already took the GED® Math test three times will not be required to wait 60 days before using their retakes.

# Test-takers who have not yet taken or scheduled the Mathematical Reasoning test will automatically receive the benefit of the extended time.

- The content and cost of the test remain the same.
- All test-takers who took GED Ready<sup>™</sup> Mathematical Reasoning before Friday, February 21, and scored in the "Not Likely to Pass" or "Too Close to Call" range will receive a voucher for a free GED Ready<sup>™</sup> test.
- Vouchers will be issued to the person or organization that purchased the original GED Ready™ voucher.

#### Five things to know about discounted retakes

"If at first you don't succeed, try, try again." That's what we tell our students, right? Now it's even easier with the <u>discounted retake program</u>
[http://www.gedtestingservice.com/educators/2014retakeprogram?utm source=iContact&utm medium=email&utm campaign=Non%20TT&utm content=GEDTS+News].



Here are five things to tell students about discounted retakes:

- 1. Students who don't pass get two discounted retakes for every subject purchased. This benefit is for every student not just those who purchase all four tests at once.
- 2. The discounted rate is automatically calculated in the MyGED™ shopping cart no code needed.
- 3. Discounted retakes are good for 12 months after the initial test attempt.

- 4. GED Testing Service® waives their \$20 testing fee, so students are only responsible for state or testing center fees retakes are \$10 in Kentucky.
- 5. Students can test three times on the same subject without waiting. After the third attempt, they have to wait 60 days before trying again.

To learn more about the discounted retake program, visit <a href="https://www.gedtestingservice.com/2014retakeprogram">www.gedtestingservice.com/2014retakeprogram</a>.

## **Summary of the Overview of 2014 GED® Test Information Webinar**

On February 25, an Overview of 2014  ${\sf GED}^{\it \$}$  test information hot topics webinar was held at two different times to provide an overview of the resources available to help find answers to questions about the 2014  ${\sf GED}^{\it \$}$  test.

It will take time to learn the nuances of a new testing program. No one, not even GED Testing Service<sup>®</sup>, has all the answers. Changes and adjustments are still being made to the program. However, below are three resources which can be used to find the answers to most questions:

- 1. FAQ for Educators [http://www.gedtestingservice.com/educators/2014-faqs] at GEDTestingService.com
- 2. <u>Kentucky Testing Information [http://www.gedtestingservice.com/testers/policy\_ky]</u> at GED.com
- 3. KYAE website at <a href="http://kyae.ky.gov">http://kyae.ky.gov</a>

Both the FAQ for Educators and the Kentucky Testing Information can be found at the KYAE website—select Educators and then GED<sup>®</sup> to find the page. You can access a copy of the webinar with notes by <u>clicking here</u> [http://kyae.ky.gov/NR/rdonlyres/A8ED1F22-758D-4CCB-8861-CF2A9B678B63/0/Overview2014GEDTestPowerPointwithEditedNotes.pdf].

#### **GREAT Additional Resources for EDUCATORS**

http://www.gedtestingservice.com/educators/2014ready http://www.gedtestingservice.com/educators/2014testresources

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